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U. S. WEATHER BUREAU, January 15.—Last 24 Hours' Rainfall, .00.
Temperature, Max. 75; Min. 64. Weather, clear.

ESTABLISHED JULY 2, 1856.

SUGAR.—96 Degree Centrifugals, 3.71c. Per Ton, \$74.20.
88 Analysis Beets, 10s. 2 1/4d. Per Ton, \$83.00.

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HONOLULU, HAWAII TERRITORY, SATURDAY, JANUARY 16, 1909.

PRICE FIVE CENTS.

BILL MAY YET BECOME A LAW

Coastwise Suspension if the People Still Want It.

"The bill exempting the Islands from the passenger provisions of the Coastwise laws can still be passed at this session of Congress, if the people here really want it passed," announces Governor Frear, who returned yesterday from the mainland and who has already attacked the accumulated work waiting for him in his office. The Governor returns full of vigor, despite the strenuous time he put in in Washington in the interest of the Territory, and appears most hopeful for the results of his efforts. In anticipation of his return on the Siberia yesterday, the office staff surrounding the governor's egg blue apartment, decorated the Governor's desk with carnation and lily of the valley, even his desk telephone being liberally festooned.

Practically everything that the Governor set himself out to do at the Capital was successfully started on its way, with the one exception of the suspension of the Coastwise laws, this having been suddenly checked in what appeared to be a successful passage through Congress on the receipt of the messages from Honolulu cutting the ground out from beneath the feet of the Delegate and the many who were helping him in the matter.

"There is no question but that the bill can be passed yet this session," he says, "although the action taken on it from here took the heart out of those who had been handling it. The cable messages from the commercial associations of the city had a demoralizing effect, not only on that one measure

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FIFTH CAVALRY WERE RECEIVED BY INFANTRY

Military Function at Fort Shafter Yesterday— A Ride to Leilehua—Service Notes, Local and General.

The Fifth Cavalry under command of Major Foster, U. S. A., reached Fort Shafter yesterday morning at 9:30. The second battalion of the 20th Infantry, under command of Major S. W. Dunning, was in ranks on the road in honor of the camp to escort the strangers. Upon the arrival of the Fifth the 20th marched into the post and followed by the cavalry, marched around the parade ground and passed in review of Major Dunning and staff. It was one of the most impressive functions ever seen at Fort Shafter. Five hundred cavalrymen, all in olive drab, preceded by two hundred infantry men in spotless khaki, made a fine show. After parading around the entire post, the infantry halted in double rank facing the main street and the cavalry passed in review out of the post and then swept down through Moanalua part at a brisk trot, the horses seeming to take as much interest as the troopers in the surroundings. A wondering crowd of sightseers which had collected outside of Fort Shafter and in the soldiers' park, witnessed the proceedings.

Many were the exclamations of surprise as the cavalry passed through the park of the Hon. Samuel Damon. "Gee, look at them flowers. Who would ever leave here if they had a home in a place like this?" somebody remarked. "Gee, but this makes me homesick," said a lad evidently from the south as he gazed longingly at the banana grove. "Bet the fellows from Shafter have a time here." These and other expressions equally amusing were heard by the bystanders as the cavalry cantered through the park and on to their new home at Leilehua, where they arrived about three o'clock.

Guard Detachment Back.

The guard detachment from Fort Shafter, consisting of Sergeant Spicer, Corporal Smiles, Corporal Pete and twelve privates who have been taking care of Uncle Sam's property at Lei-

COUNTY GETS NICE SURPRISE

Money Balance at Credit Is Five Thousand More Than Expected.

In spite of the fact, as already noted, that the surplus actually carried over in the city treasury for the use of the new Board of Supervisors had dropped to \$11,633.25, in place of the \$18,000 announced and the \$20,000 hoped for by Chairman Hustace, the city is going to have plenty of money for its ordinary expenditures, nearly five times as much as the Hustace board had to start on. This comes from the fact that Territorial Auditor Fisher sprung a pleasant surprise on Treasurer Trent by handing over \$5,000 more than had been estimated on the grand clean-up amounting to \$35,950.92. This, added to the regular monthly divvy of \$32,500, which is to come monthly for the first six months of the year, gives a treasury balance of \$80,954.17. The amount being expended this month, unless everybody who thinks he has a job gets paid, will be below the ordinary and the surplus for February will be a nice one.

In addition, the various road districts have quite substantial sums to their credits. Honolulu has \$1684.24; Ewa and Waianae has \$2326.87; Waialua has \$810.96; Koolauloa has \$548.92, and Koolapoia has \$533.33, giving a total in the special road fund of \$5,906.32.

Yesterday, the regular payday, three or four laborers, who have not kept very close track of the trend of city affairs, turned up at the office of the Auditor for their warrants and appeared very much aggrieved at the idea of not getting them. Fortunately, nearly all the two hundred and forty-odd on the Republican payroll and the thirty or forty on Mayor Fern's list know that there is trouble in the wind and made no call for funds.

Auditor Bicknell yesterday stated that he wanted the Supervisors or the Mayor to do the testing of the law, but was ready to make it himself if it were passed up to him.

"Under Section 138 of the Municipal Act, I have to be careful. I suppose if I have to hold up the warrants for the sake of a test I will have a good many thinking I am keeping

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FERN VETOES LOGAN'S BILL

Appropriations Are Still Hung Up and No One Is Paid.

Mayor Fern last night vetoed the appropriation bill of the Board of Supervisors, presenting a variety of reasons at the meeting of the board why he did so. Just how sound the reasoning of the Mayor may be will be settled in the courts as soon as the Supervisors override the veto, order the payment of bills under their appropriation measure and give Auditor Bicknell a chance to refuse to issue the warrants. This is probably what the program will be.

The Supervisors were prepared for the veto, but some of them expressed opinions after the session last night concerning the Mayor's reasons.

"The Mayor hasn't any more right to have a check over the expenditures of this board than anyone else," said Logan. "The bill was drawn by me in the rough and polished up by the City Attorney, who is our legal adviser. If he isn't I would like to know who is and if Catheart and Milverton aren't as good lawyers as Charley Rhodes, I would like to know it. There

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HONOLULU MAY GET NEW \$50,000 THEATER BUILDING

That a new \$50,000 theater building may be built here in the near future is the information given out by Joe Cohen, who returned from the mainland on the Alameda yesterday. Cohen states that the only obstacle in the way of the culmination of the deal which is now pending is the matter of a suitable site. Whether or not a location in the right part of town and at the right price can be secured is the only question that yet remains to be settled.

"I do not care, as yet, to give out the name of the man who will put up the money," said Cohen last night. "He is in Honolulu at the present time, having come down on the Alameda with me. We will take the matter up immediately and see what can be done in the way of securing a lease, or buying outright property suitable for the construction of a first-class, up-to-date theater building. If the deal goes through, I will be man-

SOME FINE NEW DREDGERS

Improved Machinery Coming for the Dillingham Contract.

On or about February 1 a dredger will commence work at the entrance to Pearl Harbor under control of the Hawaiian Dredging Company and the initial work on the development of a three or four million dollar naval station job will begin. Walter F. Dillingham, head of the Hawaiian Dredging Company, and George F. Denison, superintendent of the Oahu Railway & Land Co., and possibly the manager of the dredging work, returned yesterday on the Siberia, having landed the contract while in Washington last month.

The next two weeks will be spent by the contractors in preparing a site for a laborers' camp at Pearl Harbor. That attended to the dredgers Reclamation and Governor will be towed down, and the Reclamation, possibly, will be put to work at the outer end of the channel, commencing from the seaward side where the water begins to shoal down from thirty-seven feet. That will be the starting point and the dredger will work gradually back up the channel.

New Dredging Machinery.

Some of the finest and most modern dredging machinery will be applied to the great contract. The trip which Mr. Denison made to Tampa, Florida, was to watch the work of a new dredger, and the contract there being finished, it is likely that the Hawaiian Dredging Company will purchase the machinery and dredging apparatus of one Florida dredger. The machinery will be taken out of the hull and shipped here piecemeal and a new hull will be built around the machinery on its arrival here. This is the clam-shell dredger which has a six-foot grasp.

Another dredger which Mr. Denison inspected and which may also be used

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SENATORS GET EXCITED OVER SALARY BOOSTS

Debate Proposal Warmly—The Hat Makers Are Ordered Out on Strike—French Ship Ashore Near Astoria.

(Associated Press Cablegrams.)

WASHINGTON, January 16.—The proposed amendment to the Appropriation Bill, increasing the salary of the President to \$100,000 a year and the salaries of the Vice President and the Speaker of the House to \$20,000 a year, provoked a lively discussion in the Senate yesterday.

FLOOD SITUATION IN CALIFORNIA

SAN FRANCISCO, January 16.—The flood situation throughout the State was improved last night. The climax is looked for today.

TRAFFIC INTERFERED WITH.

SAN FRANCISCO, January 15.—Floods continue throughout the State and several bridges and dams have been swept away or broken. Traffic in many sections is seriously interfered with.

CAPITALIST'S WIFE A SUFFRAGETTE

NEW YORK, January 16.—Mrs. C. H. Mackay was yesterday elected president of the Equal Franchise League.

Mrs. Clarence H. Mackay is the wife of the president of the Commercial Cable Company, and one of the prominent capitalists of New York.

HAT MAKERS ORDERED OUT

NEW YORK, January 16.—Twenty-five thousand hatters have been ordered out on strike because of the refusal of the manufacturers to use the union label and recognize it.

SOUTH AFRICA HAS SHAKE

CAPE TOWN, January 16.—An earthquake shock was felt throughout South Africa yesterday. No damage has been reported.

FRENCH SHIP ALICE ASHORE

ASTORIA, Oregon, January 16.—The French ship Alice, commanded by Captain Auberts, is ashore near here on the Washington coast.

TEN DEAD IN RAILROAD SMASH

GLENWOOD SPRINGS, Colorado, January 16.—In a railroad accident which occurred here yesterday ten persons were killed.

NEW MATSON LINER TO BE FIVE AND HALF DAY BOAT

SAN FRANCISCO, January 9.—The Matson navigation company yesterday let the contract for the construction of

another steamer for the run between this port and Honolulu. The new liner will cost \$1,000,000, and will be built at Newport News, Va., by the Newport News ship building company, the lowest bidder. There were six bidders, among them the Union Iron works. The new steamer will be 430 feet long and 51 feet in beam. It will carry 8000 tons of freight and will have accommodations for 150 cabin passengers. In outward appearance the new ship will resemble the Lurline, and like the Lurline will be an oil burner, with oil carrying capacity sufficient for a voyage to China. Fifteen knots is the stipulated speed, and it is intended that the new liner, which will have a single screw, shall make the run between here and the islands in five and a half days. Like the other steamers of the Matson fleet, the new vessel will be equipped with wireless. Special attention has been given in the specifications to the passenger accommodations, which will be as commodious, as comfortably furnished and heated and cooled and ventilated as modern devices will permit. For the purpose of providing funds for the construction of this new ship the stockholders of the company last week increased the capital stock from \$1,500,000 to \$5,000,000.

TESTS FOR NAVAL OFFICERS.

WASHINGTON, January 6.—A modification order prescribing physical tests for naval officers has been issued at the President's direction. This contemplates that the tests shall apply to all officers on the active list, instead of confining them to those below the rank of rear-admiral.



FIFTH CAVALRY STARTING FOR LEILEHUA.

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